(c) Government has proposed to undertake the following measures to control malaria in Rajasthan:—

— Identification of problem areas in the States for selection and judicious use of insecticides in order to get cost effective results i.e. lowering of morbidity and prevention of mortality.

— State Government has been emphasized to fill up PHC workers posts to improve case detection and treatment.

— Augmentation of laboratory services for diagnosis of malaria.

— Extensive health education to ensure community participation for implementation of malaria control measures.

Ragging of a student at IIT, Kharagpur

313. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that a 17 year old student Shri Sandeep Sinha Roy was badly injured due to ragging at IIT, Kharagpur during this month;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) what steps Government are taking to stop completely ragging in the educational institutions in the country?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is attached.

(c) Government has already issued instructions to stop ragging completely in the educational institutions in the country. Whereas, this practice is reprehensible, it is for the universities and college authorities and the students themselves to ensure that 'ragging' does not take place.

Statement

Sandeep Sinha Roy, a first year student of the Institute was found in a sitting position in semi-conscious state with bruises on his right ankel and bleeding mouth on the ground floor of his hall of residence on 3.8.1991 early morning. He was immediately moved to the Institute Hospital by students and wardens and was given extensive medical examination and treatment. Although he was recovering well, his parents asked transfer to Kharagpur Railway Hospital. On 9.8.1991 the Railway doctors reported to the Institute Sr. Medical Officer that his general condition is stable and there is no fracture as per the X-Ray plates. There is minimal loseness of five teeth which have been attended to. The general impression is that the patient is progressing well. The boy has now been discharged from the Hospital. After considerable investigation the disciplinary committee of the Senate could not determine how it happened and who is responsible. But inquiry is continuing. The police alleges that Sandeep has been ragged and has been made to walk on the balcony railing of the second floor from which he has fallen. On 4.8.1991 the Institute filed FIR with the Local Police. Another student of the Institute filed FIR on 5.8.1991 stating that it is an attempt to murder. Subsequently police has interrogated students and has taken eight students in custody. These students have been denied bail in Midnapore Court and Calcutta High Court. The Police has not yet chargesheeted the students in custody.

Loan taken from abroad by Government

314. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state what was the total amount of loan taken from abroad by Government from December 1989 till January 1991?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): The amount of loan contracted by the Government from December, 1989 to January, 1991 was Rs. 10728 crores.